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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (February 07-15, 2008)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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07/02/2008: Rick, NE8Z will be active as HC1MD from Tumbaco, Ecuador between February 7-14th and February 21-27th (with an in between side trip to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, PY1/NE8Z). He plans to operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL both calls via K8LJG. [425 DX News]

07/02/2008: Jean Pierre, F6FQX is currently active from Costa-Rica as TI2/F6FQX until February 29th. QRV 10123 or 14023 kHz, every day from 1330 - 1400 UTC, CW only. QSL via home call. [F5NQL]

07/02/2008: Vlad, UA4YA will be active February 7-9th as UA4YA/p from RDA districts CU-14 (Kozlovsky) and 18 (Marinsko-Posadsky), Republic of Chuvashia (oblast CU for Rossija award, #097). QSL direct or bureau. [RX3RC]

07/02/2008: Operators Bernd/DK7TF, Karl/DL4FP and Rudi/DK7PE of the "Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club" (LARC) will become QRV February 7th from Cambodia as XU7DLH with two transceivers and wire antennas, if possible also on 160m. Their stay will last for about one week. QSL via DK7TF, direct or bureau. [DX Newsletter]

08/02/2008: The Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo HAM Club (JM1YGG) will be going on a DX vacation, with 17 club members and their families (total of 20 people) to Fiji (OC-016). They will depart from Narita on February 7th and expect to be QRV February 8-10th as 3D2/JM1YGG on all HF bands including 160m and 6m. Operators mentioned are JA1BAB, JA1RNO, JA1RTG, JH1JNV, JI1EOP, JJ1EWN, JQ1EFI, JQ1LCW, JR1KHM, 7L3IJK, JN2AMD, JA3RAF, JF3IPR and JR3OET. QSL via JM1YGG. [DX World of Ham Radio]

08/02/2008: Adolfo, EA7TV reports he will operate as EA7TV/p from the two El Rompido lighthouses ARLHS SPA-271 and SPA-337) February 8-10th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

08/02/2008: Bernhard, DL2GAC, is globetrotting again: First he will show up as VU2BMS from Cochin in India, February 8-22nd. He will then fly to Honiara, Guadalcanal Island (OC-047, also count for WLOTA LH-0086) where he will reactivate his old call sign H44MS between March 5th until April 27th. As usual Bernhard confirms all QSL cards via bureau or direct very reliably after his return home. [DX Newsletter]

09/02/2008: Operators BA4TB, BD4TH, BD4TBC, BG4TBJ, BG4TQX and BG4TTM will be active as B4TB during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via BA4TB. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Look for Yuris, YL2GM to be QRV as D4C from the MonteVerde contest station, Mindelo, Ilha do S?o Vicente (AF-086 LH-1976), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest. QSL via IZ4DPV, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Dej, E21YDP will be active from Thailand as a Single-Op/All-Band entry during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest. QSL via QRZ.com. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Heijo, DJ1OJ will be QRV as EA8OM from Tenerife (S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276), Canary Islands (AF-004), during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Valery, RD3AF will be QRV as EF8M from Las Palmas Gran Canaria (DIE S-005 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0969) Canary Islands (AF-004) during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via RX3DU. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Bruno, F4FIU/p will be active February 9th, weather permitting, from the Mill of Orsinval (DMF 59-059 New One!), Department Nord/59, Province of Nord Pas de Calais (DPF 16). QRV 80 and 40 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Radioamateur.org]

09/02/2008: Look for Fran?ois/F5JNE and Gerard/F6ICG to be active February 9th from the Castle of Pont-Chevron (DFCF 45-044), City Ouzouer-sur-Tr?z?e (CP 45250) and canton [county] of Briare (DDCF 45-05), Department Loiret/45, Province of Centre (DPF 07). As usual starting around 0700 UTC, 80/40m, CW/SSB. QSL via bureau preferred and SWL cards are welcome. [F5NQL]

09/02/2008: Patrick, F8DYD will be active February 9th as F8DYD/p from the Castle La Tour des Douves (DFCF 86-040, WW Loc. JN06DN), commune of Poitiers (CP 86000), canton [county] of Poitiers 6th (DDCF 86-36), Department Vienne/86, Province of Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QRV 80 and 40m, mainly SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F8DYD]

09/02/2008: Costantino, HI3CCP plans to be QRV as HI3C from Loma del Toro, Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA LH-2974) during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via ON4IQ. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Ted, HI3TEJ will be active as HI3T from the Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA LH-2974) during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via ON4IQ. [OPDX Bulletin]

09/02/2008: Operators Rick/KI1G, Pat/NG1G, Matt/WE1H, Carlos/WP4U, Bill/N1HRA and Davide/IW1DQS will be QRV as NP3U from the Mi Casita Contest Station (NP3U), island of Puerto Rico (NA-099, USi PR-006S, WLOTA LH-2802) during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via WP4U, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: Look for Juha, OH9MM to be QRV from the Riddarklint hill, Mariehamn, Aland Islands (EU-002, WLOTA LH-1373) as OH0Z during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest, as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W0MM, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

09/02/2008: John, T77CD, will be active during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th). QSL only direct to I0MWI. [OPDX Bulletin]

09/02/2008: Team RK4YYY will be active February 9-10th as UE4YWI/m from RDA districts CU - 23, 19, 26, 17, 25, 11, 13, 05, 15, 27, 15, 13, 05, 22, 23, 02 and CU-03, Republic of Chuvashia (oblast CU for Rossija award, #097). QSL via RX4YY, direct or bureau. [RX3RC]

09/02/2008: Look for Dennis, WA2USA to be active as WA2USA/4 from Dauphin Island (NA-213) February 9-18th. The call sign K4D will also be used. QRV all HF bands, near the usual IOTA and Island frequencies, CW and SSB. QSL both calls via WA2USA, direct or bureau. Website at: www.wa2usa.com/dauphinBB.htm [RSGB IOTA]

09/02/2008: Look for Bruce, XW1B to be QRV from 'The Farm' near Vientiane, Laos, during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via E21EIC direct preferred, bureau ok. [NG3K]

10/02/2008: Dick, AD7AF will be QRV as E51WWA from Mauke Island (OC-083), South Cook Islands, between February 10-21st, including a Single-Op/Low-Power entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). Outside the contest Dick will be active on the HF bands, CW and SSB with 100W. QSL via AD7AF, direct (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

10/02/2008: Odd-Egil, LA8AW will once again be active as JW8AW from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, also count for WLOTA LH-0125 between February 10-18th. QRV all bands 160-10m, mostly CW. QSL via home call. [OPDX Bulletin]

10/02/2008: Operators John/K3CT and John/K3TEJ will be QRV as KP2/homecall from the island of St. Croix (count for WLOTA LH-2477), US Virgin Islands (NA-106) between February 10-20th, including a Multi-2 entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as KP2M. Outside the contest look for them to be active on HF, with emphasis on 160m and the WARC bands. QSL via home calls. QSL KP2M via AI4U. [NG3K]

10/02/2008: The final countdown for the VP6DX Ducie Island (OC-182) team (Dietmar/DL3DXX, Ben/DL6FBL, Carsten/DL6LAU, Andy/DL8LAS, Tonno/ES5TV, Eric/K3NA, Milt/N5IA, Harry/RA3AUU, Leszek/SP3DOI, Robert/SP5XVY, Cliff/SV1JG, Andy/UA3AB and Robin/WA6CDR) has started. The team expects to reach the island at the local sunrise on February 9th and to be QRV not earlier than the local night on the 11th. They plan to set up seven stations on two widely separated locations, with one 26m-tall vertical for 160m, five 4-Squares (80, 40 and 30m), five vertical dipole arrays (20, 17, 15, 12 and 10m) and one 5-element Yagi for 6m. Actual QRT time will be dictated by weather and sea forecasts; if conditions are good, operations will end February 28th. An expedition to Ducie Island (OC-182) is being organized to take place in February 2008. QSL via DL6LAU, direct only (Carsten Esch, Drosselweg 3, 21376 Salzhausen, Germany). Bureau card requests will be accepted only through the Online QSL Request System, which can be used for direct cards as well (see www.vp6dx.com for full information on QSLing). All of the remaining QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau after 8-12 months. Details on how to contribute, news, on-line logs and much more can be found at: www.vp6dx.com/ [425 DX News]

11/02/2008: Andr?, ON7YK (C56YK) and Jose, ON4LAC (C56JC) will be QRV from Kerr Serign, Banjul, The Gambia (WW Loc. IK13PM) between February 11th and March 6th. Plans are to operate on 80-10 metres, with some activity on 160 and 6 metres as well. Expect C56JC to focus on PSK and RTTY. QSL via the information at QRZ.com. [F5NQL & 425 DX News]

11/02/2008: Operators Paul/N4PN (J79PN), Charlie/NF4A (J79PC), Don/W9IU (J79IU), Jim/WI9WI (J79WI) and Kevin/WN9O (J79KM) will be active February 11-19th from the island of Dominica (NA-101). Their main focus will be on the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) using the call sign

J7DX, a Multi-Multi entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. They will concentrate heavily on 160m, 80m and the WARC bands. QSL J7DX via W9IU and QSL J79WI, J79IU, J79KM, J79PN, and J79PC via home calls. [NG3K]

11/02/2008: Ray, K9DUR/p will be active February 11-16th from Dauphin Island (NA-213, USi AL-002S, Mobile county), Alabama. Look for activity around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

11/02/2008: Ulf, DK5TX will be active February 11-17th as PA/DK5TX from Goeree Overflakkee (EU-146). QRV on 2m (SSB/slow-CW), 6m (SSB/slow-CW) and 10-80m (SSB/slow-CW/RTTY). QSL via home call, bureau preferred or direct (QRZ.com). Email request for a bureau card can be made to dk5tx@gmx.net instead of sending a QSL. [RSGB IOTA]

11/02/2008: Rob, VE4GV will be active as VE4GV/6Y5 from Ochos Rios, Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA LH-0214) February 11-18th, ARRL DX CW Contest included. He plans to operate CW, SSB and possibly digital modes on 10-80 metres. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

12/02/2008: Look for Mark, M0DXR to be active as 6Y5/M0DXR from the island of Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA LH-0214), February 12-25th, ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) included as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside the contest Mark will be active on all bands. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

12/02/2008: Jos?, ON4LAC will be in The Gambia as C56JC, between February 12th to March 5th. He will focus on PSK and RTTY modes which were, unless we are mistaken, never actived from C5. Some SSB too, except when Andr?, C56YK will be using this mode. QSL via home call. [F5NQL]

12/02/2008: Members of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association Contest Team, namely Falk/DK7YY, Ulf/DL5AXX, Tom/DL5LYM and Frank/DL8WAA will be active as CT9L from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014, MA-001 for the Portuguese Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0053) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th), as a Multi-2 entry. Between February 12-18th they will be QRV as CT3/homecall. QSL CT9L via DJ6QT, direct or bureau. QSL others via their home calls. [NG3K]

12/02/2008: Slavo, SP2JMB reports he will be active as EA8/SP2JMB from Isla de Tenerife (DIE S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276), Canary Islands (AF-004), February 12-19th. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSl via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

12/02/2008: Look for Yuri, N2TTA to be QRV February 12-19th as NP2/N2TTA from the island of St. Croix (NA-106, WLOTA LH-2477), including a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). Outside the contest look for activity on all bands/modes. QSL both calls via W3HNK. [NG3K]

12/02/2008: Operators Mike/W9RE, Mark/N5OT, Don/W4OC and Hal/N4GG will be active from the island of Bonaire (SA-006, also count for WLOTA LH-1279) as PJ4/homecall from February 12-19th on all bands. They will also participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-2 entry, using the call sign PJ4M. QSL via the individual operators home call. QSL PJ4M via N4GG. [NG3K]

12/02/2008: Bill/N7OU (T32OU) and Bob/W7YAQ (T32YA) will be operating from Christmas Island (OC-024), Eastern Kiribati, from February 12-26th, including a M/S entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest using the call sign T32OU. They will be using 100w and verticals on 160-10m, mostly CW, but some SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [F5NQL]

12/02/2008: Look for Yuri, VE3DZ to be active from Belize as V31?? (call pending) between February 12-18th. He will also participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

13/02/2008: Russell, G5XW will be active as CN2XW between February 13-23th from various parts of Morocco, from the Atlas Mountains across to the coast. He hopes to manage to get to IOTA group AF-065 during this time. Equipment will be mininum as this is a backpacking holiday. QSL direct to home call. [425 DX News]

13/02/2008: Koya/JI5RPT (JD1BLY), Motoaki/JE1EKS (JD1BMO) and Iseki/JM1WBB (JD1BMP) will be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031, WW Loc. QL17CB, JCG#1007), Ogasawara, on 160m to 6m + Satellite CW/SSB/DIGI + 2m WSJT EME from February 13-28th. The team will have 1st time 2m EME 500Watts license during in this expedition. They plan to focus on 160m, 80m and 2m EME. They also plan to be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home calls. Further information on their web site at: www.ji5rpt.com/ogasawara2008/jd1-2008.php [NG3K]

13/02/2008: Operators Stan/AC8W (PZ5WW), Hank/K8DD (PZ5DD), Jim/KB8TXZ (PZ5TX) and Jay/W5JAY (PZ5AY) will be QRV from the QTH of Ramon, PZ5RA in Paramaribo, Republic of Suriname, from February 13-18th. They also plan a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) using the call sign PZ5WW. Look for activity on 160-10m and WARC bands. QSL PZ5DD and PZ5WW via K8DD. QSL PZ5AY via W5JAY. QSL PZ5TX via KB8TXZ. [NG3K]

14/02/2008: Tadeusz/SP3IPB + xyl Agnieszka/SQ3WN, Janusz/SP6IXF + xyl and Przemek/SP7VC will be QRV February 14-16th as FS/homecalls from the island of St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA LH-0711) and between February 17-26th as FJ/homecalls from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377). The plan is to operate from 7 to 28Mhz including WARC bands CW/SSB/RTTY. There will be no online logs during expedition. Logs will be aviable on the web after the expedition. [4X4-2238 & 4Z4DX]

14/02/2008: Eric, K9GY will be active as H7/K9GY from the QTH of YN2N (www.yn2n.com/) located near Granada, Nicaragua, from February 14-18th, including a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). He will be QRV 160-10m during and outside of the contest. Logs will be loaded to LOTW although direct QSL via CBA is ok too. [NG3K]

14/02/2008: Operators Mario/DJ2MX, Simon/DJ4MZ, Manfred/DJ5MW, Matt/DK4YJ and Chris/DK9TN will be active as HB0/homecall between February 14-18th. The group plans to be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest as HB0/N0MX as a Multi-2 category. QSL via their home call sign (except for HB0/N0MX: QSL via DJ2MX). The DXpedition Web site is at: www.dk9tn.de/2008/hb0 [OPDX Bulletin]

15/02/2008: Philippe, F5IYJ will be active as FS/F5IYJ from St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA LH-0711) February 15-22nd. He might also go and operate

as PJ7/F5IYJ from Sint Maarten. Expect Philippe to operate holiday style and to concentrate on CW. Details will be available at f5iyj.com/; QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

15/02/2008: Look for Yoshi AB2ST/KH2, Toshi KB3LTB/KH2 and Toshi KG6WTW/KH2 to be QRV from the island of Guam (OC-026, USi GU-003S, WLOTA LH-0064), February 15-17th. Activity will be on HF, all bands. QSL all calls via JF1TEU, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

15/02/2008: Look for Dave, WJ2O to be active as VP5/WJ2O from Jodi's Hamlet on Providenciales Island (NA-002), Turks and Caicos Islands from February 15-22nd, including a Single-Op entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). QSL via home call. [WJ2O]

Be sure to check Bill's (NG3K) web site for updated CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest activity at: ng3k.com/Misc/cqrjwpx2008.html

TI9KK ISLA DEL COCO DXPEDITION UPDATE -
TI9KK start 08.02.2008 - end 14.02.2008
Travel time 40 hours departure to the island from Playa del Panama 06.02.2008
Arrival from the island in Playa del Panama 16.02.2008.
Planned 7 days QRV with 6 station 24 Hours on air.
Special note for RTTY and PSK31 operators: Please limit your QSO exchange to report and callsign ONLY. [TI9KK Website]
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LOOKING AHEAD -

16/02/2008: A team of operators will be active from Luxembourg as LX7I during the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-2 or Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A (www.lx2a.com/) [NG3K]

18/02/2008: Yuri Mirolyubov, RK3DSW operator at Molodezhnaya Base (1987) as 4K1A, will be active as RK3DSW/ANT (WAP-065), during the 5th AAW (February 18-24th) and will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on all bands. QSL via bureau or direct via: Yuri O. Mirolyubov RK3DSW, Box 57 Elektrostal 144000, Russia.
Note: All the Special Stations active during the AAW, are not operating from Antarctica, but from their home QTH, to celebrate Antarctica, this year also in the spirit of the International Polar Year. Purpose of the A.A.W. is to improve Worldwide interest around Antarctic Continent and its related matters, to understand and share what the Nations and Organizations are doing in research and to protect this still non contaminated corner of the world, to share a message of peace WW. [I1HYW]

22/02/2008: Wong, VR2KW will be active from the Foshan Amateur Radio Club (Grid OL63NA), using the club call BY7PP on February 22nd and 23rd. QRV on 50-144-432-EME, using 2x6ele Max 100W on 6m; 2x9ele Max 300W (main band) on 2m; and 2x20ele Max 70W on 70cm. QSL via BA7NQ (QRZ.com). [MMMonVHF]

26/02/2008: Ulli, DL2AH plans to be active holiday style as VP8/DL2AH from Pebble Island, Falkland Islands (SA-002), between February 26th and March 13th. QRV 40-10m with FT897 and Windom antenna, using mainly SSB with some RTTY. QSL via DL2AH, direct (QRZ.com) or by the bureau. [NG3K]

05/03/2008: Bernhard, DL2GAC, will be QRV as H44MS from Honiara, Guadalcanal Island (OC-047, also count for WLOTA LH-0086), March 5th to

April 27th. As usual Bernhard confirms all QSL cards via bureau or direct very reliably after his return home. [DX Newsletter]

13/03/2008: Patrick, F6CMH will be active from Saint Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377) between March 13th and 22nd. QRV mostly 40 and 20m SSB. QSL via home call. [F5NQL]

20/03/2008: Jack, F6BUM (www.f6bum.net) will be active again as 3W3M from Vietnam between March 20th and April 2nd. He plans to operate SSB and CW with 100 watts into a vertical antenna from the following three islands: March 20 (1000 UTC) - March 23 (0600 UTC) from Con Cô (AS-185, new one); March 25 (0800 UTC) - March 28 (0600 UTC) from Phu Quoc (AS-128); March 29 (1000 UTC) - April 2 (0600 UTC) from Dao Con (AS-130). Expect activity on 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via F6BUM, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

22/03/2008: Ben, DO1BEN will be active March 22-28th as OZ/DO1BEN from Lolland Island (EU-029, DIA SJ-015 for the Danish Islands Award, WW Loc. JO54QV). QRV on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

29/03/2008: Hart, DL7BC will be active from Morocco as CN2BC during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DL7BC. [NG3K]

01/04/2008: Club Radio Amateur de Quebec members will be active as VC2VQ in order to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the foundation of Quebec City. Activities will start from April 1st to April 30th on 14.150, 7.070, 3.780 MHz. QSL via the bureau. [RAQ]

06/06/2008: Patrick, ON7ARQ will spend his holidays on the Island of Elba (EU-028, IIA LI-001, MIA MI-022 WLOTA LH-0609), June 6-16th, using the call sign IA5/ON7ARQ. QRV on HF-20m/50W/dipole + 6m/10W/Vertical + 2M/20W/4ele + 0.7m/5W/Vert. + 0,23m/2W/16ele, ATV/23cm/2W or 20W/16ele, with TS50 kenwood HF+ITU FT817+FT290+FT690. The weekend QRV in VHF Contests. QSL via home call, direct of bureau. [F5NQL]

29/11/2008: Bernd, VK2IA will be active as VK9AA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) from Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DL8YR. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

09/02/2008: This year, the team composed of the French pilot Sebastien LOEB and his co-pilot Daniel ELENA have won the World Rallies Championship (WRC), for the 4th consecutive time. To honour them, a team of hams from the French Saone et Loire area will be active on HF, VHF and UHF, all modes between February 9th and 23rd, using the special call sign TM4WRC. QSL via F4ELU. [F5NQL]

09/02/2008: The Swedish Heathkit Club, SK7XN located in Huskvarna, Sweden, will be QRV February 9th (0700z-1800z) for Heathkit Activity Day and to celebrate the birth of Howard Anthony. Look for activity on 3.540, 3.700, 14.040 and 14.287 MHz. A special QSL card will be available by sending a direct request to: Swedish Heathkit Club, Mats Gunnarsson, Baldersgatan 6, Ljungby SE-341 33, SWEDEN. The Swedish Heathkit Club web site can be found at: www.heathkit.se/ [SK7XN]

15/02/2008: Look for Jean-Claude, F5IL to be active as TM5ICE (WAP-127) from February 15-29th, from his QTH in the Eure department/27 (Normandy). Mainly on digital modes, RTTY and PSK31. Active also in CW, for the DDFM award hunters, and a little SSB. QSL via F5IL, direct (SAE + Postage) or via the REF bureau. [F5NQL]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

04/02-18/02 PJ2/W8AV: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL H/C (d/b)
08/02-10/02 EA7TV/P: El Rompido (New) ARLHS:SPA-271 QSL H/C (d/b)
08/02-10/02 EA7TV/P: El Rompido (Old) ARLHS:SPA-337 QSL H/C (d/b)
09/02-10/02 D4C: Ilha do S?o Vicente WLOTA:1976 QSL IZ4DPV (d/b)
09/02-10/02 EA8OM: Isla de Tenerife WLOTA:1276 QSL DJ1OJ (d/b)
09/02-10/02 EF8M: Isla de Gran Canaria WLOTA:0969 QSL RX3DU (d/b)
09/02-10/02 HI3C: Dominican Rep. WLOTA:2974 QSL ON4IQ (d/b)
09/02-10/02 HI3T: Dominican Rep. WLOTA:2974 QSL ON4IQ (d/b)
09/02-10/02 NP3U: Puerto Rico Island WLOTA:2802 QSL WP4U (d/b)
09/02-10/02 OH0Z: Aaland (Main Island) WLOTA:1373 QSL W0MM (d/b)
10/02-18/02 JW8AW: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA8AW (d/b)
10/02-20/02 KP2/K3CT: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL H/C (d/b)
10/02-20/02 KP2/K3TEJ: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL H/C (d/b)
11/02-18/02 VE4GV/6Y5: Jamaika Island WLOTA:0214 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-25/02 6Y5/M0DXR: Jamaika Island WLOTA:0214 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 EA8/SP2JMB: Isla de Tenerife WLOTA:1276 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 NP2/N2TTA: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 PJ4/N4GG: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 PJ4/N5OT: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 PJ4/W4OC: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/C (d/b)
12/02-19/02 PJ4/W9RE: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-19/02 CT3/DK7YY: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-19/02 CT3/DL5AXX: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-19/02 CT3/DL5LYM: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-19/02 CT3/DL8WAA: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-16/02 FS/SP3IPB: St. Martin WLOTA:0711 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-16/02 FS/SP6IXF: St. Martin WLOTA:0711 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-16/02 FS/SP7VC: St. Martin WLOTA:0711 QSL H/C (d/b)
14/02-16/02 FS/SQ3WN: St. Martin WLOTA:0711 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/02-17/02 AB2ST/KH2: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JF1TEU (d/b)
15/02-22/02 FS/F5IYJ: St. Martin WLOTA:0711 QSL H/C (d/b)
15/02-17/02 KB3LTB/KH2: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JF1TEU (d/b)
15/02-17/02 KG6WTW/KH2: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JF1TEU (d/b)
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6 METERS & UP -

- The MMM VHF Website users have voted and named as the best VHF dexpedition of the year 2007, the MS/2m OH8K team, (Op. VHF- OH8MSN, OH6JW, OH6ZZ and OH6HFX) for their MS/2m activities from the grid: KP04. The complete log for the MS2m ativities since 1999 is online at:
http://kotisivu.dnainternet.net/mmaamaha/allqsos.txt
2nd place: PJ4EME (Op. VHF- PE1L and PA3CNX (now PJ4NX)
3rd place: 3X5A Team (Op. VHF- AA7A and KC7V) [F5NQL]

- ARRL Creates Fred Fish Memorial Award
On motion of Mr. Isely, seconded by Mr. Fallon, it was VOTED that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, a group of dedicated 6-meter-band operators has created, documented, and spespecified an award for working all 488 grid squares within the continental United States, and
WHEREAS, this group has presented this information to ARRL for the purpose of sponsoring this award as a logical capstone to the VUCC program, and
WHEREAS, it is believed that confirming QSOs with all 488 USA grid squares was accomplished only by the late Mr. Fred Fish, W5FF;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ARRL establish the Fred Fish Memorial Award, and
FURTHERMORE, that this dated and serial-numbered award be given to any amateur radio operator who confirms on 6 meters all 488 grids of the contiguous states, and
FURTHERMORE, that the #1 award be issued posthumously to Fred Fish, W5FF, and presented to his wife Lee Fish, K5FF. [QRZ.com]

- In honour of Josep Prats, EA3DXU, who passed away in October 2007, operators EA3BB, EA3AYX, EA3EZG, EA3AEN, EB3JT and EA3XU organize an expedition to the initial location from where Jose Maria first worked EME in 1985, San Salvador de Guardiola (Grid JN01), 70 kms from Barcelona. The expedition is supported by many EA operators working VHF-UHF and EME. Pau, EA3BB (Josep's brother) has rebuilt part of Josep's original expedition station and plans to operate JT65 on 144.141MHz during the DUBUS and REF contest (February 9-10th), using the special call ED3DXU. Periods and more details as well QSL info: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=1177 [F5NQL]

- Michael DL1YMK reports that everything is settled now for this year's EME DXpedition to Uruguay. Monika & myself will be operating from May 1-12th from Uruguay using the callsign DL1YMK/CX, as licensed by the Uruguayan telecom authority URSEC. We have been struggling for nearly a year to get a fully legal high power permit for operating from CX on 70 cm, 23 cm and 13 cm moonbounce. Further info at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=1176 [F5NQL]
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- Paul, F6EXV reports that Bill Moore NC1L has approved the TO5FJ operation valid for DXCC. He will start answering cards within a couple of weeks. For whoever wants to QSL direct and has not sent cards yet, please do so rapidly, as there will be a postal increase on March 1st. Please do _*not*_ use seld-addressed _*STAMPED*_ enveloppes, and refer to my webpage for QSL directions and log online at www.f6exv.org/ [F5NQL]

- Greenland gets 5MHz. The Greenlandic telecom administration has announced seven 5MHz frequencies for OX operators to use SSB, CW and digimodes. ey now have 5260, 5280, 5290, 5368, 5373, 5400 and 5405 kHz. [GB2RS]
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CHURCHES AND CHAPELS ON THE AIR -
You have heard of lighthouses on the air, mills on the air, and even mines on the air.
Well, G3XYF is co-ordinating Churches and Chapels on the air (CHOTA).
The date this year is Saturday 13 September, 2008.
Planning is starting now, so if you are interested in participating please contact John, G3XYF by email to: (g3yxf -at- btconnect.com.) [GB2RS]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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